

REMARKS

Applicant provisionally hereby elects with traverse, the **Species B** embodiment (cardiac sensor and audible favorable compression alert) and the Sub-species i directed to a **closed chest manual compression**.

Applicant respectfully traverses the election of species and sub-species requirement because the special technical features of the different embodiments are such that it would not cause an undue burden on the Examiner to search and examine the claims together in a single application.

Applicant also respectfully disagrees with the Action in that there are generic claims that cover all of the embodiments shown in the figures. For example, Applicant submits that at least all of the independent claims cover all of the different embodiments shown in the figures (Claims 1, 17, 26, 41, 42 and 49).

The Action requests that Applicant identify a reading of claims that read on the elected species. Applicant submits that Claims 1-9, 17, 18, 25, 26-28, 31-33, 41, 42-45 and 49-52 read on the provisionally elected species.

Applicant respectfully submits that this application is now in condition for substantive examination, which action is requested. If any extension of time for the accompanying response or submission is required, Applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee, which may be required, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

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